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SUBJECT: FISH CULTURE AND PEACE CORPS

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1. WE SHARE OUR PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS AS TO LIKELY RWANDAN
MOTIVATIONS IN REGARDS TO PEACE CORPS AND RELATED AID
ACTIVITIES.

2. FROM OUR VIEWPOINT, IT SEEMS APPARENT THAT THE ISSUE
OF PEACE CORPS INVOLVEMENT IN RWANDAN FISH CULTURE
HAS REACHED AN EMOTIONAL PEAK WITH THE GOR. WE OF COURSE
REGRET APPARENT GOR DECISION THAT PCV'S ARE NOT NEEDED,
IN FISH CULTURE AT ANY RATE. WE ARE INCLINED TO THINK,
HOWEVER, THAT WHILE WE WILL WISH TO KEEP OPEN POSSIBILITY
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OF A PEACE CORPS ROLE IN RWANDA, WE SHOULD NEITHER PUSH
FOR THAT ROLE NOR EXPRESS ANY PARTICULAR REGRET REGARDING
GOR JUDGMENT. WE THUS BELIEVE THAT THE BEST COURSE OF
ACTION AT THE MOMENT MIGHT WELL BE INACTION VIS-A-VIS THE
GOR. THAT IS, WE PREFER TO LET EMOTIONS COOL DOWN AND
THE RESPECTIVE POSITIONS OF ALL CONCERNED RELAX. WITH
THESE CONSIDERATIONS IN MIND, WE BELIEVE IT BEST YOU

WITHHOLD DELIVERY OF LETTER PROPOSED PARA 9 REFTEL,
INSTEAD INFORMING GOR THAT THE CONTENTS OF ITS NOTE HAVE
BEEN REFERRED TO WASHINGTON FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE.

3. WHAT WE MUST DO IS TO CONSIDER WITH GREAT CARE WHERE
WE GO FROM HERE ON THE AID AND PC FRONTS. WE ARE THERE-
FORE LOOKING FORWARD TO REVIEWING PCD STERNIN'S ANALYSIS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS. WE ALSO CONCUR IN PRINCIPLE THAT
CONSULTATIONS WITH STERNIN IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE DESIR-
ABLE. PEACE CORPS, WHICH WILL HAVE TO WEIGH THIS REQUEST
IN THE CONTEXT OF ITS CURRENT TRAVEL FREEZE, WILL BE
RESPONDING TO IT BY SEPTTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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